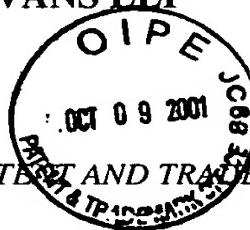


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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-20.

Please add new claims 1-23 as follows:

R.1.126 21. An object monitoring system, including:
Sub. B6 a first transmitter for transmitting a first ID; and
A1 a transceiver module having a receiver for receiving the first ID to
Cmt. 22. electronically associate the first transmitter with the transceiver module by generating a first
Sub. B9 stored ID.

The system of claim 21 wherein the transceiver module indicates an alarm condition by comparing the first ID to the first stored ID.